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dass Sie in Bezug auf das Typhus-Übertragungs-
Verfahren Erfolg erzielt haben.

Mit der Zusammenfassung habe ich mich sehr
sehr eingehend beschäftigen müssen, wobei sich
herausgestellt hat, dass bei den durch Protozoen ver-
ursachten Krankheiten, die in Südafrika eine so be-
deutende Rolle spielen, die Verhältnisse wieder
wesentlich anders liegen, als bei den bacte-
riellen Krankheiten. Darüber müssen wir
uns einmal gründlich unterhalten, wenn
ich wieder in Berlin bin, was voraussicht-
lich im nächsten Mai der Fall sein wird.

Darüber möchte ich es nicht riskieren, mich dem
kalten und feuchten Wetter der rauhen Nor-
dsee auszusetzen.

In Weiskirchen habe ich geschrieben.
Mit vielen Grüßen von meiner Frau und mein-
en Ihren Frau Gemahlin und Sie
ganz ergebungs-
voll
Dr. Koch

Bulawayo, Rhodesia
Den 18^{ten} Dec. 1903.

Hochgeehrter Herr Professor!

Für die freundlichen Glückwünsche zu meinem
Geburtstage sage ich Ihrer Frau Gemahlin und
Ihren - meinen herzlichsten Dank. Es war ganz
gegen meine Absicht, dass ich diesen Tag so
fern von der Heimat und von allen Freunden
und Bekannten feiern sollte. Ich so erfreu-
licher war es, an der großen Zahl von brief-
lichen und telegraphischen Glückwünschen, welche
hier eintreffen, zu sehen, dass man auch in
meiner auch in fernem Rhodesia gedacht
hatte.

Ihre ausführlichen Mitteilungen in den letzten
früheren Briefen über Ihre und Ihrer Schüler
Arbeiten haben mich sehr interessiert, namentlich

Autograph Album

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Off. des. in Belgien auf den 1. April 1871

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1847

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KOCH, Robert; M.D. (1843-1910) Autograph letter signed, two pages on two leaves, ca. 240 words, addressed to Professor Jakob Wasserman at the "Institut für Infektions Krankheiten" in Berlin, dated December 15th, 1903, at Bulaways, Rhodesia.

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In this letter Dr. Koch thanks his colleague in very moving terms for the congratulations which he had received on his sixtieth birthday. "It had never been my intention to celebrate this day so far away from home and all friends.. I was all the happier to receive so large a number of congratulations by letter and wire, proof that even in distant Rhodesia I am being remembered".

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NOTE: Robert: A.L. (1903-1910) and French letter signed, two

pages on two leaves, ca. 240 words, addressed to Professor

Julius Rosenberg at the Kaiserin Wilhelmina Krankenhaus

in Berlin, dated January 15th, 1903, at Mulaweg, Rhodessa.

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to receive this day so far away from home and all friends.
I was all the happier to receive to have a present of course
which is better and more, good and even in present Rhodessa
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of the rhodococcus, consecutive signs of certain bacterial coning-
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